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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO will be the Lead Agency and will prepare a draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the following project:

PROJECT: University Towne Center. SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT and COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT to redevelop an existing 1,061,000-square-foot shopping center on 68.43 acres with approximately 750,000 additional square feet of retail and entertainment area, 750 multi-family residential dwelling units, 250,000 square feet of commercial office space, a 250-room hotel (or potentially an additional 250 multi-family dwelling units for a total of 1,000), and parking structures. Project improvements would also include a relocated and expanded bus transit center and the dedication of land for future Metropolitan Transit Development Board (MTDB), Transit Services identified in the MTDB Transit First Regional Transportation Strategic Framework. The project is proposed to be a phased development plan, or Master Plan, that would be implemented over a fifteen (15) to twenty (20) year time frame. The subject site is located east of Genesee Avenue, south of La Jolla Village Drive, west of Towne Centre Drive, and north of Nobel Drive, within the University Community Plan Area (Portions of Parcels 1 and 2 of Parcel Map 12903 and Parcels 1,3, and 4 of Parcel Map 6481). Applicant: Westfield Corporation, Inc.

LDR No. 41-1059/PTS No. 2214
Job Order Number 41-1059

Based on an Initial Study, it appears that the project may result in significant environmental impacts in the following areas: **Land Use, Visual Quality, Traffic/Circulation, Geology, Hydrology and Water Quality, Air Quality, Paleontology, and Noise.**

For more information, or to provide comments on the scope and content of the draft EIR, contact the following person at the address above: Martha Blake, (619) 446-5375. For more information on hearings please contact Mike Westlake at (619) 446-5220.

Written comments on the scope and content of the draft EIR must be sent to the above address by no later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. This information is ALSO available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities. To request this notice in alternative format, call (619) 446-5446 or (800) 735-2929 (TEXT TELEPHONE).

Responsible agencies are requested to indicate their statutory responsibilities in connection with this project when responding.